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Literary Department—Miss C. R. Frame
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Piano and Organ—Mr. H. B. Campbell, Miss B. Studd, Mr. T. A. Hubley, Miss L. Curtis, Mr. J. C Williston & Mr. O. Cornier

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THIRTY - FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF MANAGERS

OF THE

School for the Blind, Halifax, N. S.

Introduction. The Board of Managers have great pleasure in submitting to the members of the Corporation, to the Provincial Governments and Legislatures interested, and to the many friends of the Blind, their thirty-fifth annual report; and in so doing, they desire to acknowledge their indebtedness to Almighty God for the many blessings vouchsafed the school during the year just closed.

Superintendent's Report. In the Superintendent's report will be found a brief history of the year's progress, an outline of the work being carried on, and a succinct statement of the needs of the school.

The teachers in the several departments have done admirable work, and your Board feel that the school is most fortunate in having as members of the teaching staff so many zealous and experienced instructors. The Superintendent's report will be read with interest by the friends and supporters of the institution.

Domestic Department. In a school of this character the officials and assistants in the domestic department require to be faithful, efficient and painstaking in their work. The comfort, health and happiness of the household largely depend upon the thought and attention given to their daily duties by the members of the domestic staff. It is gratifying to report that the domestic department is being carried on with marked efficiency and economy.

During the year the housekeeper, Mrs. Drillio, and the boys' matron, Mrs. Hussey, resigned their positions. Their places have since been taken by Miss L. J. Bray, and Mrs. Langille, both of whom have proved themselves to be capable and reliable heads of departments.

Miss L. Lockward, matron of the junior department, and Miss E. Lockward, matron of the girls' department, have discharged their duties with commendable energy and efficiency.

Financial Support. Your Board regret that the current receipts are not sufficient to meet the necessary current expenses. In a previous report we called attention to the increased cost of living, resulting from the advance in prices paid on provisions, fuel, wages, etc. The present cost per pupil is about \$200.00 per annum. This cost cannot be reduced without impairing the efficiency of the school. Our annual expenditure on each pupil is less than two-thirds of that in the School for the Blind at Brantford, Ontario. Our three sources of income, are, first, the provincial and municipal grants, second, the interest upon funded bequests, and third, subscriptions and donations. During the last session of the Legislature of Nova Scotia, the "Act Respecting the Education of the Blind" was amended so as to provide for the annual payment of \$180.00 per pupil by the Province and municipalities; an increase of \$30.00 per pupil over the amount previously paid.

The statutory contributions from New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland for the past year, were respectively, New Brunswick, \$150.00 per pupil, Prince Edward Island, \$75.00 per pupil, and Newfoundland, \$150.00 per pupil. Your Board would respectfully urge upon the governments and legislatures of these three provinces the necessity of increasing their annual grant per pupil to \$180.00, thus making the allowance per pupil the same as that received from Nova Scotia. We believe that this increase will commend itself to the business judgment of the respective governments and legislatures, and in view of the importance of the matter to the well being of this institution, we respectfully request that the increase be made so as to cover the payments for the current school year, otherwise we shall have to face a deficit.

Needed Information. Oue of the difficulties with which we have had to contend for many years has been the obtaining of information with respect to the whereabouts of blind children. The educational authorities in the respective provinces have rendered

material aid in securing the names and addresses of children of schoolable age. Each teacher in making his semi-annual returns is supposed to send in to the educational department the names of all children, who, owing to lack of sight, are unable to attend the public schools. Unfortunately, many of the teachers do not appreciate the value of these returns. Hence in many districts blind children are allowed to grow up without the privilege of the education which this school would gladly give them free of charge. The loss of sight is in itself, a serious drawback to any boy or girl, but the loss is many times increased when the boy or girl is deprived of educational advantages. The child with sight may never enter a school house. may never learn to read or write, and yet may become an active. self-supporting citizen. The blind child without education is doomed to live a life of idleness, and to be dependent upon others for his support. Under these circumstances we feel it our duty to urge the school teachers of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Newfoundland, to help us in furthering the education of the blind. This they can best do by carefully placing in their semi-annual returns, the names, ages and addresses of all children in their respective districts, who are partially or totally hlind. Clergymen, doctors and others interested in the welfare of the blind, may greatly aid the cause of education by sending to the superintendent of this school full information with respect to any blind child in their respective localities.

The Work of the Institution. The growing interest that has been evinced by the public in the work of this institution has been a great source of pleasure to your Board. When it was first proposed to erect a School for the Blind in Halifax, there were many who doubted the necessity for the establishment of such an institution. The public interest in the education and training of the blind has steadily increased. To-day, the value of the work of the institution is very fully recognized. We have always kept steadily in mind the necessity for familiarizing all classes of the community with the aims and objects of the school. With this end in view regular monthly concerts have been given at the institution throughout the school year. Public meetings in the interests of the blind have been held many times in each city and town throughout the Maritime Provinces and Newfoundland. A series of free concerts has been given at the school during the progress of the provincial exhibitions. We have, in short, done everything in our power to make known the educational work of the school throughout the length and breadth of the land. The result of this policy

of wide publicity has been most gratifying. Our graduates, as teachers of music, pianoforte tuners, etc., now find more ready employment than ever before and there is no lack of confidence in their professional or mechanical skill.

The thanks of your Board is most cordially tendered to the Press of the city and country, which has at all times ably seconded our efforts to further the interests of the school and the welfare of the blind

The clergy of all denominations, and the medical men in all parts of the provinces, have likewise placed us under obligation for the kind interest they have always taken in the progress of the institution. In this connection we may state that during the summer vacation the assembly hall and schoolrooms in our new school buildings were placed at the disposal of the Canadian Medical Association, which held its annual meeting in Halifax, in August last. The meetings were attended by upwards of three hundred medical men from all parts of the Dominion. Your Board feel confident that the outcome of the meetings in this institution cannot fail to be of advantage to the blind throughout Canada.

The Superintendent. Your Directors cannot close the Annual Report for 1905 without referring to the constant and untiring labours of our esteemed Superintendent, Dr. C. F. Fraser. His exertions on behalf of the School for the Blind, and also of the blind of the Maritime Provinces and Newfoundland, have made his name a household word in all parts of the country. No felt need of the school escapes his attention, whether the need be one of increased accommodation, additional equipment, or a matter of administration. That this institution now ranks as one of the foremost schools for the blind on the continent is mainly due to the administrative ability and unceasing efforts of our able Superintendent. The achievement of to-day is but a stepping-stone to the further achievement of to-morrow.

A special feature of the work of the Superintendent is the active and sympathetic interest he evinces in the graduates of the school; every phase of their life is followed by him with the keenest interest, and his thoughts and efforts on their behalf are constant and unremitting.

Acknowledgments. In addition to the donations elsewhere referred to, your Board gratefully acknowledge the following bequests: Estate of W. C. Urquhart, Halifax, \$8,200.00; estate of Mrs. Allison Smith, Halifax, \$2,000.00; estate of Mrs. Thomas

Bolton, Halifax, \$1,000.00; estate of Archibald Kennedy, Charlottetown, \$1,343.23; estate of Mrs. Stephen Wiggins, Windsor, \$500.00; estate of L. J. Morton, Halifax, \$500.00; estate of G. Campbell, Folleigh, \$500.00; estate of F. C. Parker, Halifax, \$200; estate of Michael Murphy, Halifax, \$100; estate of Miss L. Avery, Grand Pre, \$100; estate of D. McKenzie, Fraser's Grant, Nova Scotia, \$50; estate of E. P. Archbold, Halifax (a/c), \$25; estate of W. C. West, Halifax (bal.), \$22.12 The receipt of these bequests has been duly appreciated by your Board. The names of the legators will ever be borne in grateful remembrance by the friends of the School, and their thoughtful interest in the [welfare of the blind will be a lasting monument to their memory.

Our special thanks are due to Dr. A. W. H. Lindsay, attending physician, Dr. E. A. Kirkpatrick, ophthalmic surgeon, and Dr. A. W. Cogswell, dental surgeon, for their professional services.

The Board of Managers also desire to express their thanks to Messrs. J. D. Medcalfe, W. E. Hebb, H. B. Clarke, John Mullane, and others, for kindly admitting the pupils to lectures, concerts, etc., under their respective management.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. C. MACKINTOSH,

The Superintendent's Report.

To the President and Board of Managers of the School for the Blind :

Gentlemen:—The table of attendance herewith submitted shows that 154 blind persons have been under instruction during the past year, of whom 91 were males and 63 females. Of these, 18 have since graduated or remained at home, making the total number registered December 1st, 1905, 136, of whom 82 are males, and 54 females. Of these, 84 are from the Province of Nova Scotia, 28 from New Brunswick, 2 from Prince Edward Island, 13 from Newfoundland, 1 from Quebec, and 1 from Alberta.

TABLE OF ATTENDANCE.

	Boys.	Girls.	Adults.	Total.
Registered Dec. 1st, 1904	74	54	5	133
Entered during the year	10	9	2	21
Graduated or remained at home	9	9	0	18
Registered Dec. 1st, 1905	82	54	7	136

PROGRESS.

This institution is a special school for the education and training of those deprived of sight. Its main object is to fit its pupils for the activities of life, and to overcome as far as possible the handicap of blindness.

The success of a School for the Blind depends, first, upon liberal financial support; second, upon wise and judicious management; third, upon its having a zealous and experienced staff of teachers; fourth, upon its possessing commodious and suitable buildings and extensive grounds; and fifth, upon the equipment of its several departments. Judged from these standpoints, this School has attained a position second to that of no similar institution on the continent.

The blind of the Maritime Provinces and Newfoundland, the friends of the blind, and those who have aided in making this

institution what it is to-day, have every reason to feel gratified with what has already been achieved. It must, however, be borne in mind that a truly progressive school cannot afford to stand still. There is much more that can be done for the education of the blind, and it behooves us all to be up and doing so as to make the work of this institution more and more beneficial. Progress must be our watchword.

LIBERAL SUPPORT.

If those who are blind are to become self-supporting men and women, they must be given special educational advantages. When these advantages are provided they involve large capital expenditure and heavy outlay on current account. It is poor economy to undereducate the blind. It is a good investment of public and private funds to make active citizens and successful bread winners of those who are deprived of sight.

The people of the Maritime Provinces and Newfoundland are fully alive to the work that is being done by this institution. Their representatives in the respective provincial legislatures have made annual appropriations for the support of the School, and have from time to time increased the same.

A reference to our subscription lists for the past few years, and to our record of bequests, shows the deep interest that has been taken in the welfare of the blind by many kind and thoughtful friends of the School in all parts of the country. This liberal public and private support has been most timely and has enabled the school to do most effective work.

With our growing School have come growing needs. I sincerely trust that our friends in the provincial legislatures, and also those in private life, will keep this fact well in mind, and will do all in their power to further the benevolent work carried on by this institution.

MANAGEMENT.

The control of the affairs of the institution is placed by law in the hands of sixteen gentlemen who constitute the Board of Managers. Twelve of the members of the Board of Managers are elected annually at the general meeting of the Corporation. The remaining four are the premiers of the Provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Newfoundland, who are ex-officio members of the Board,

The members of the Board of Managers devote much time and attention to the affairs of the institution, hold regular monthly meetings, and give earnest consideration to all questions pertaining to the welfare of the blind. Through the wise and judicious management of the Board the funds of the School have been carefully administered. A uniform record of efficiency and economy has been maintained. This record should prove a great source of satisfaction to the gentlemen who have given freely of their time and thought to further the interests of this institution.

The following statement shows the annual cost per pupil, and the value of the grounds and buildings of the leading schools for the blind upon this continent. This statement should be carefully studied by the friends and supporters of this institution.

STATISTICS WITH RESPECT TO SCHOOLS FOR THE BLIND.

Institution	No. of Pupils	Cost Per Capita	Value of Grounds & Buildings
Brantford, Ont.,		309	\$200,000.00
Berkeley, Cal.,	59 117	275 299	550,000 00 225,000 00
Janesville, Wis.,	47	300	225,000.00
Baltimore, Maryland,	97	300	375,000.00
New York,	$\frac{199}{137}$	310 342	240,000.00 363,340.00
Nebraska City,	87	373	100,000.00
Philadelphia, Penn.,	195	417	665,594.00
Perkins, South Boston,	$\frac{234}{135}$	422	565,996.00 150,000.00

TEACHING STAFF.

The several departments of this School are well organized. The work is being carried on by a staff of zealous and experienced teachers.

Literary Department. In the six graded and two ungraded classes of the Literary department the pupils are receiving a sound English education. The branches taught include spelling, reading, Braille point writing, pencil writing, geography, history, grammar, literature, composition, arithmetic, geometry, algebras the rudiments of science, French, Latin, etc. Thirty-five classes,

meet daily for periods of fifty minutes each. Seven teachers and one hundred and thirty-two pupils are enrolled in this department.

Musical Department. In the Musical department, the purpose are receiving a first-rate training in vocal and instrumental music. They are also receiving instruction in harmonic notation, Braille notation, the theory of music, etc. The instructors are thoroughly trained musicians and follow their chosen profession with zeal. Twenty-four pianos are in use daily for ten hours each. The following brief outline will give some idea of the work that is being carried on in this department: 110 pupils are studying the pianoforte or the cabinet organ: 20 pupils are receiving private singing lessons; 32 pupils are being given instruction in the use of string, reed or brass instruments; 113 pupils are receiving vocal instruction in classes; 59 are enrolled in the classes of Braille notation; and 28 are studying harmonic notation and the theory of music Eight teachers and two music readers are daily employed in giving instruction, and, in all, 129 pupils are enjoying the advantages of the department.

TECHNICAL DEPARTMENT.

The Technical Department of the School is well abreast of that of similar institutions, but there is still room for development. Fifty-three girls are taught sewing, knitting, crocheting, beadweaving, raffia work, etc.: twenty young boys receive instruction in reed work; twenty young men are being taught cane-seating, brush-making, and willow basket-making; and eighteen are studying the tuning and repairing of pianofortes and cabinet organs. Five teachers give daily instruction in the Technical Department, and ninety-nine pupils are benefitting thereby.

PHYSICAL DEPARTMENT.

The physical training of the pupils in this School has always been considered of first importance. The drill-master and his assistants are enthusiastic and painstaking instructors. Every effort is made by them to foster among the pupils an intelligent interest in physical development and a desire for physical exercise. Eight classes are under instruction, the work being directed by a drill-master and three assistants. Fifty-four girls and seventy-one boys are being trained in this department.

EQUIPMENT.

The equipment of the several departments of the School has received my earnest consideration. A large sum of money has been expended upon books, maps, and other costly appliances for the literary department. A large outlay has also been made in supplying the musical department with pianos, brass, reed and string instruments, and in purchasing music printed in the Braille Point system. The partial fitting of our workshops and gymnasiums has also proved a serious tax upon our limited income. These expenditures have all been absolutely necessary, as without proper equipment the work of the several departments could not be carried on with any degree of success.

In our literary department we require a greater number of nuodels for touch study. Our collection of physiological and geographical models is fairly complete. Dr. Springle, of Montreal and other friends, have recently presented the School with a number of stuffed birds and animals and tangible objects. Our collection of minerals and mineral ore has been increased by a number of fine specimens supplied to us by the Geological Survey of Canada. A beginning has been made towards securing models of buildings, bridges, ships, machines, and of the hundred and one objects so familiar to the eye. Several public-spirited friends, appreciating the artistic value to the blind of tangible models, have kindly offered to present to the School busts of Beethoven and Mendelssohn, and other plaster casts.

Let those who read this report consider for one moment how much knowledge and information the child with sight gains from observation of that which he sees. Through the eye he becomes familiar with the objects about him. Photography has opened to him new and broader fields of knowledge Through sight his faculties of perception and discrimination are developed. To the blind, touch is sight. Hence in their education tangible models and touchable objects are of the utmost importance.

In the musical department we require a good sized modern pipeorgan. Such an organ as would be suitable to the needs of the School would probably cost between five and six thousand dollars. In all parts of the country the demand for church organists has become urgent. There is no reason why our pupils should not be trained as organists and choir-masters. In Great Britain these positions are frequently filled by persons who are blind. The ways and means for securing an organ are now receiving earnest consideration. Additional appliances are required in our technical department, and more apparatus is needed in our gymnasiums. The expenditure of \$1,000 upon these departments would probably meet our needs for some time to come.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS.

The resident school population-including officers, teachers. pupils and domestic staff-numbers one hundred and seventy persous. These are comfortably housed in commodious and suitable buildings, which are admirably lighted and well ventilated. In the planuing of these buildings much thought has been given to the special needs of the School. Provision has been made for the segregation of the sexes outside of regular school hours. The dormitories and smaller sleeping rooms are plainly hut comfortably furnished, each pupil occupying a separate bed. The lavatory and bathing accommodations are adequate, and the plumbing is thoroughly up-to-date in all respects. The sitting-rooms, readingrooms, reception rooms and dining-rooms are well ordered and comfortable. The school-rooms, music-rooms, tuning-rooms, workshops and gymnasiums in the new school building are all that one could desire. The huildings are well heated throughout by a hot-water system connected with four distinct furnaces.

The School is located in one of the most beautiful portions of Halifax, where the air is always fresh and invigorating, and where the uninterrupted rays of the sun can be felt and enjoyed from morn till eve.

The grounds in which the School stands include an entire city block, bounded on its four sides by streets and bordered by beautiful shade trees, which were set out in 1870 by the late Mr. G. P. Mitchell. These grounds bear the name of "Murdoch Square," in honor of the founder of the School. In them we have separate recreation grounds for the boys, for the girls, and for the junior pupils. The grounds have been gracefully laid out in paths and grass plots. Swings, giant strides, tilts, running tracks. etc., have been provided for the healthful enjoyment of the pupils. A large artificial pond beautifies the southern portion of the grounds. This pond has proved great source of delight to the pupils for skating during the winter months, and for hoating at other seasons of the year.

HEALTH.

The health of the pupils during the past year has been most satisfactory. The physician in charge, Dr. A. W. H. Lindsay, has

as usual, been unremitting in his attentions and has done all in his power to maintain the high standard of health which has marked the history of the School for many years past.

GRADUATES.

The reports from the graduates of the School continue to be most encouraging. These reports are of never failing interest to mc, recording as they do successes and failures, triumphs and defeats, and experiences of widely varying character. From these experiences of our graduates I have gained many important lessons, which have been turned to practical account in the training of the pupils of this School.

In June last graduating diplomas were awarded as follows:-

Miss Clara McNeil, Glace Bay, C. B, eertificate as a teacher of vocal and instrumental music.

Miss Emma Legere, Shediae, N. B., certificate as a teacher of vocal music and the cabinet organ.

Miss Alberta Kinsella, St. John, N. B., certificate as a teacher of the pianoforte and the voice.

Miss Mary Blanchard, St. Charles, N. B., certificate as a competent masseuse.

Oliver Cormier, Moncton, N. B., certificate as a teacher of vocal and instrumental music; also, a certificate as a pianoforte tuner.

John Keefe, Canso, N. S., certificate as a teacher of the pianoforte and cabinet organ.

Joseph Emino, Hebb's Cross, N. S., eertificate as a teacher of vocal and instrumental music.

Mr. H. B Campbell, principal of the musical department, is at present taking a year's course of study in one of the conservatories of music in Leipsig, Germany. Owing to his absence, Miss Clara McNeil and Mr. Oliver Cormier have received temporary appointments as assistant teachers of music.

Miss Clara McNeil has been awarded a scholarship in vocal music by the Halifax Conservatory of Music.

Mr. J. Hollis Lindsay, who graduated from this institution in 1903, has won distinction in the American Conservatory of Music,





Chicago. Mr. Lindsay, after one year's training in the Conservatory, received his graduating diploma and won the gold medal of his class.

BUILDING FUND.

Of the \$23,038.22 subscribed towards the erection of our new building, \$17,768.22 have already been paid in. I sincerely trust the balance (\$5,270.00) may be realized at an early date. Subscriptions from those who have not contributed to our building fund are carnestly solicited.

CONCLUSION.

The Board of Managers have my most sincere thanks for the cordial support they have extended to me in the administration of the affairs of the institution.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

C. F. FRASER,
Superintendent.

School for the Blind in Account with THOMAS RITCHIE, Treasurer.

	CURRENT ACCOUNT.		
LOOF	RECEIPTS.		
Dec. 7	By Interest and Dividends Donations and Subscriptions N. S. Government and Municipalities N. B. Government and Municipalities Newfoundland Government Prince Edward Island Government Sundries Contingent Fund	13363 4650 1650 675 370 4750	02 00 00 00 00 (14 24
		\$280.1.4	63
1904	ENPENDITURE.		
Dec. 5	To Balance	1050	05
1905 Dec. 7	To House Expenses, including Provisions, House Furniture, Laundry, Fuel, Light, etc	11260 7713 2434 1400 527 400 25 366 485 978 34 1360	00 36 48 86 19 00 25 13 59
	Balance	\$ 28036 8	55 08
Examin	ed and found correct.	\$ 58044	63
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1905.	CR.		
	By Subscriptions	\$ 1235	62
1905	Dr.		
Dec. 7	To Paid on Building " Repaid Legacy Account	768 467	44
		\$ 1235	62

LEGACY ACCOUNT.

1905 LEGACY ACCOUNT.
Dec. 7 By Estate of W. C. Urquhart, Halifax S 8200 00 "Estate of Mrs. Allison Smith, Halifax 2000 00 "Estate of Mrs. Thomas Bolton, Halifax 1000 00 "Estate of Archibald Kennedy, Charlottetown 1343 23 "Estate of Mrs. Stephen Wiggins, Windsor 500 00 "Estate L. J. Morton, Halifax 500 00 "Estate G. Campbell, Folleigh 500 00 "Estate F. C. Parker, Halifax 200 00 "Estate Michael Murphy, Halifax 200 00 "Estate Miss L. Avery, Grand Pre 100 00 "Estate D. McKenzie, Fraser's Grant 50 00 "Estate E. P. Archbold, Halifax, acct. 50 00 "Estate W. C. West, Halifax 22 12
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Dec. 7 To Investment Account
INVESTMENT ACCOUNT.
Dec. 7 By Sale of Rights, Canadian Bank of Commerce 8 81 45 Balance Exchange of Shares of People's Bank for Shares of Bank of Montreal
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Dec. 7. To Investments
RECAPITULATION.
Dec. 7. By Revenue \$23294 39 " Building Fund 1235 62 " Legacies 14540 35 " Investment 242 45
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Dec. 5 To Balance\$ 1050 05
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LEGACIES:

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1864 Wm, Mardock, Hahlax. 819166 67	1895 Miss E. Heales, St. John	200
1871 Tane Mulloy, Danias	Key. T. DeWolfe, Windsor	500
1979 Robert Noble, Bahiax		200
1874 R Purvis, Phgwash 100	1896 Mis Kieth, Halifax Mons, Carmody, Halifax	50
1575 Log McDonald, Green 11115	1897-W. G. C. Ketchum, C. E.,	
Bioton 1470	Fredericton,	500
1876. Miss Jane M. Tonge, Windsor 20		250
	Adam Burns	200
1977 J M Walker, Halliax 300	1898—Lady Kenny	_00
1878 W. L. Black, " 220	1899 Mrs. Chas. Murdoch, London,	4:0
1878 W. L. Black, 220 1879 Chas, Roche, 3100 Miss Service, 400	G, B.	3.0
	Estate Gilbert Pugsley, Am-	500
1880 - Mrs. Williamson, Halifax 200	Inter	50
G. Frieze, Maitlaml 100	Miss H. F. Allison, Halifax.	.,,,,
Ann Wilson, Halifax 100	Estate E. P. Archibidd, acct.	125
Ann Hunter, 200	Halifax	500
John Sannalers, Burlington,		436 70
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John King, Halifax 600	W. H. Keating, El Doro,	100
W P West. 11 1000		1000
W. K. Reynolds, Halifax 2000	1901 - John S. McLean, Halifax . 1	500
1883-Joseph Hart, Baildeck 100		418 57
Mrs G Gunn Halifax 40	C. U. West,	100
1884 Hugh Elliott, ' 100	Patrick O'amini,	10
1884 Hugh Elliott, 100 Alex. McLeod, 100	Peter Coffin	10
1885—James Thompson, Hamax 100	Mrs, Elizabeth Grant, New	51 60
H. Hesslein, Halifax 100	Glasgow	50
1886 - S. S. B. Smith, Halifax 100	C. E. Stanfiehl, Truro	500
A. Shiehl, Dartmouth 553		.,,00
Jas. G. Merkel, Halifax 50	M. A. Buckley, Santa Cruz,	150
1887J. C. McDonald 50		10
W. II. Method	Thos. Kelley, Halifax 1903—W. C. Silver, Halifax	250
Jas. A. Buist, " 500	Mrs. T. Doyle, "	50
Sir Wm. Young, ' 10000	1904—Estate of James McEwan,	00
Mrs. M. J. Hamilton, IIIX 00	Halifax,	25
Mrs. J. Northrup, ' 200 Mrs. E. Binney, ' 500	Philip Thompson, Halifax. 1	000
Mrs. E. Binney, " 500	Take Marmbar 16	100
1888—J. W. Metzler, Halifax 40	John Murphy, Jas, Smith, "	58 50
	Estate of John Naylor,	00
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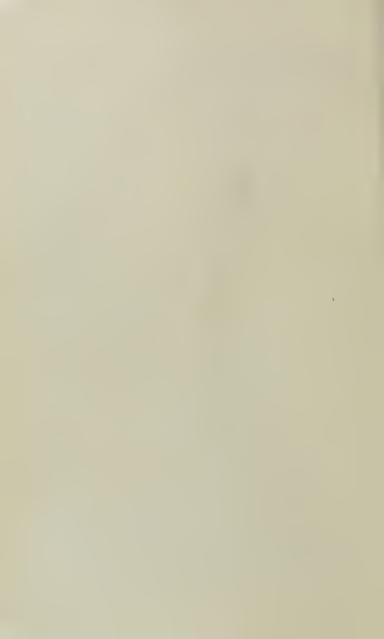
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AN ACT

Respecting the Education of the Blind of Nova Scotia.

Chapter 54.

- 1. (1). The parent or guardian of any blind person between the ages of six and twenty-one years, who has, under the provisions of "Chapter 50," a settlement in any municipality, city, or town, may apply to the warden of such municipality, or to the mayor of such city or town, for an order for the admission of such person into the Halifax School for the Blind, which order the said warden or mayor shall at once grant under his hand and the corporate seal of the municipality, city, or town, on being satisfied that such blind person is between the ages above prescribed, and has a legal settlement in such municipality, city or town. -1895, C. 1., S. 114, part.
- (2). Such order shall entitle the blind person named therein to be received into the Halifax School for the Blind, and subject to the conditions in this Chapter prescribed, to be edneated and boarded therein during the school term. - 1895, C. 1., S. 114, part.
- 2. (1).—Pupils entering the school between the ages of six and ten years shall be entitled to remain seven years in addition to the time in attendance under ten years of age; those entering between the ages of ten and thirteen years, shall be entitled to remain seven years; those entering between the ages of thirteen and seventeen shall be entitled to remain five years, and those entering between the ages of seventeen and twenty-one years shall be entitled to remain three years.

(2). The Council of Public Instruction may, upon the recommendation of the Board of Managers, extend the time of

attendance of any pupil.

(3). In the case of hopeless incapacity, serious misconduct, or other sufficient cause on the part of any pupil, the prescribed term may be shortened at the discretion of the Board of Managers of the School.—1895, C. 1., S. 114, part.

- 3.—For every blind person received in the Halifax School for the Blind under an order from the Warden of any Municipality, or from the mayor of an incorporated town which contributes to the municipal school fund, and educated and boarded therein, the Board of Managers of such school shall be entitled to receive from the provincial treasury the sum of seventy-five dollars per annum, payable half-yearly, and also to receive annually the same sum payable half-yearly, from the municipal school fund of such municipality.—1895, C. 1, S. 114, part.
- 4.—For every blind person who is admitted into the Halifax School for the Blind, under an order from the mayor of a city or town, an allowance to the Board of Managers of the school of seventy-five dollars per annum shall be rated upon the inhabitants of said city or town in case such city or town does not contribute to or draw from the municipal school tund, and in such case such sum shall be paid to the managers for each such blind person sent to the school, and there shall be paid to the managers from the provincial treasury for each such blind person for which such city or town contributes such allowance the sum of seventy-five dollars, in Chap. 54, the manner provided by the next preceding section.—1895, C. 1, S. 114, part.
- 5.—The Managers of the Halifax School for the Blind shall furnish, semi-annually, to the Council of Public Instruction full returns of the names, ages and residences of the pupils in respect to whom such payments are claimed.—1895, C. 1, S. 114, part.
- 6.—In the annual apportionment of the municipal school fund, the Superintendent of Education shall include the amounts due the managers of the Halifax School for the Blind, and issue drafts therefor on the treasurers of the respective municipalities.—1895, C. 1, S. 114, part
- 7. --The Council of Public Instruction, upon being satisfied that an applicant has a settlement within the province, and has no means of paying the expense of his education, may, upon the recommendation of the Board of Managers, make the provisions of this Chapter apply to any blind person over the age of twenty-one years. Such action of the Council of Public Instruction shall entitle the blind person to be received into the School on the same terms [as], if he were under the age of twenty-one years.—1895, C. 1, S. 114, part.

8.—In the case of any person who has been admitted to the Halifax School for fhe Blind, or on whose behalf application for admission to such School has been made, who has no settlement within the province, the Provincial Secretary, if satisfied that such person is chargeable to the province, may pay, or agree to pay, to the Board of Managers of the School the same such person admitted under the foregoing provisions of this Chapter. 1895, C. 1, S. 114, part.

9.—The parent or guardian of any blind person between the ages of six and twenty-one years, who has not a settlement within this province, may, nevertheless, apply to the warden of any municipality or to the mayor of any city or town for an order for the admission of such person into the Halifax School for the Blind; and if such warden or mayor is satisfied that such parent or guardian has bona fide settled in such municipality, city or town with the intention of remaining, the warden or mayor may grant such order, which shall have the same force and effect as an order made under the provisions of this Chapter in respect to a person who has a settlement within this province.—1895, C. I, S. 114, part.

10.—The Provincial Secretary has to be ex-officio a member of the Board of Managers of the Halifax School for the Blind.
—1895, C. I, S. 114, part

In Chapter 20, Acts of 1905, the foregoing Act respecting the Education of the Blind is amended by substituting the words ninety dollars for the words seventy-five dollars.

AN ACT

Relating to the Education of the Blind in New Brunswick.

Chap. VIII, Acts of the General Assembly, 1892.

Be it enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly as follows:—

- the ages of ten and twenty-one years, who has under the provisions of Chapter 102 of the Consolidated Statutes of New Brunswick, a settlement within any County or City of the Province, may apply to the Warden ot the Municipality, or the Mayor of the City, for an order for the admission of such person into the Ilalifax School or any other Institution for the Blind approved by the Governor-in-Council, and the said Warden or Mayor on being satisfied that such blind person is between the ages above prescribed and has a legal settlement in the Municipality or City, shall at once grant such order for admission as aforesaid under his hand and the corporate seal of the Municipality or City, and forward the same to the Provincial Secretary for his approval to be endorsed thereon.
- 2.—Such order so approved by the Provincial Secretary snall entitle the blind person named therein to be received into the Halifax School or other Institution for the Blind as aforesaid, and subject to conditions hereafter to be described, to be educated and boarded therein during the school terms. Pupils under thirteen years of age when entering the School, shall be entitled to remain seven years; those entering between the ages of thirteen and seventeen shall be entitled to remain five years; and those between the ages of seventeen and twenty-one years to remain three years.
- 3.—For every blind person received into the Halifax School or other Institution for the blind, approved, as aforesaid, pursuant to this Act, and educated and boarded therein, the Board of Managers of such School or Institution for the Blind shall be entitled to receive from the Provincial Treasurer, at the rate of seventy-five dollars per annum, payable half-yearly, and

also to receive at the same rate from the County School Fund of the Municipality to which the said blind person belongs. This section to apply to the blind persons in attendance at the Halifax Institution at the time of the passing of this Act.

- 4 The Board of Managers of the said Halifax School, or other Institution for the Blind approved as aforesaid, shall furnish semi-annually on the first day of January and July in each vince of New Brunswick, full returns of the names, ages, residences, attendance, etc., of the pupils in respect of whom the above grants may be claimed.
- 5.—In the semi-annual apportionment of the County School Fund, the Superintendent of Education shall include the amounts due the Managers of any Institution of the Blind and issue drafts therefor on the treasurers of the respective Municipalities.
- 6. In the case of any incorporated City or Town within the Province in which any blind person, as is designated in the first section of this Act, has a legal settlement, and which City or Town does not contribute to or draw from the County School Fund, there shall be paid by such City or Town to the Board of Managers of the said School an allowance of seventyfive dollars per annum, and such sum shall form part of the general assessment of such City or Town for each blind person sent to said School, and each such blind person sent to the said School shall be admitted to the said School in the manner prescribed in the first section of this Act, the chief executive officer of the Corporation exercising the powers therein conferred upon the Warden of the Municipality, and there shall be paid to the said Manager fron the Provincial Treasury for each such blind person, for which such City or Town contributed such allowance, the sum of seventy-five dollars in like manner as is provided in the third section of this Act.
- 7.—The parents or guardians of any blind person between the ages of ten and twenty-one years who have or has not the settlement referred to in Section one of this Act, may, nevertheless, apply to the Warden of a Municipality or the Mayor of a City for an order for the admission of such person into the Halifax School or other Institution for the Blind as aforesaid, and if the Warden or Mayor of a City be satisfied that such parents or guardians have or has bona fide settled in the Municipality or City with the intention of remaining, the Warden or Mayor may grant such order in manner and form as

prescribed in the first section of this Act, which shall have the same force and effect as an order given under the provision of the said Section.

8.—In the case of any person who has been admitted to the Halifax School or other Institution for the blind as aforesaid. or on whose behalf application for admission to such School has been made, who has no settlement within any County or District of the Province as required by Section One of this Act, the Provincial Secretary, if satisfied that such person is fairly chargeable to the Province, may pay or agree to pay to the Board of Managers of the said School, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars per annum from the Provincial Treasury.

56 Vic., Cap. 20.

An Act in addition to, and in amendment of an Act relating to the Education of the Blind.

1.—Notwithstanding anything contained in the Act of Assembly, 55th Victoria, Chapter 8, entitled, "An Act relating to the Education of the Blind," the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, upon being satisfied that an applicant has a settlement within the Province of New Brunswick, and has no means of paying the expenses of his or her education, may, hy Order-in-Council, make the provisions of said Act apply to any blind person over the age of twenty-one years, and such order shall specify the Municipality in which said blind person has a settlement, and upon which he or she shall be chargeable. Such Order-in-Council shall entitle the blind person mentioned therein to be received at the Halifax School for the Blind, or any other Institution for the Blind, on the same terms as persons mentioned in the first and second sections of the said Act.

2.—Blind persons over the age of twenty-one years so received at the Halifax School for the Blind, or other Institution for the Blind approved by the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council under the provisions of the preceding section, shall (subject to the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council) be entitled to remain three years.

3.—The Lieutenant Governor-in-Council shall have authority by Order-in-Council, upon the recommendation of the Board of Managers of the Halifax School for the Blind, or

any other Institution for the Blind approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in-Council, to extend the time of any pupil who has entered under the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act relating to the Education of the Blind," or of this Act in amendment thereof.

59 Vic., Cap. 13.

An Act to amend An Act relating to the Education of the Blind.

- 1.—Section 1 of the Act of Assembly, 55th Victoria, Chapter 8, is hereby amended by erasing the word "ten" in the second line thereof.
- 2.—Pupils entering the School between the ages of six and ten years, shall be entitled to remain seven years in addition to the time and attendance under ten years of age

Applications for admission to the School for the Blind and all correspondence should be addressed to—

C. F. FRASER,

Superintendent.







